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The Hon. J. Paul Oetken
 United States District Court for the
 Southern District of New York
 Thurgood Marshall
 United States Courthouse
 40 Foley Square
 New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Segovia-Landa et al., 20 Cr. 287 (JPO)*

Dear Judge Oetken:

The Government writes to respectfully request a 45-day adjournment of the conference scheduled for August 13, 2020 in the above-referenced matter, and to request an order excluding time under the Speedy Trial Act until the new date for the conference. The defendants each consent to this request.

On February 11, 2020, the defendants were arrested following a series of narcotics transactions. On February 12, 2020, the defendants were charged in a Complaint with one count of conspiracy to distribute heroin, fentanyl, and methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(b)(1)(A) and 846. Following presentments held on the same day, defendants Marco Segovia-Landa, Ledif Perez-Perez, and Jose Rivera were ordered detained. Defendant Lisandy Joaquin Ortiz was released subject to bail conditions. On June 3, 2020, the grand jury returned Indictment 20 Cr. 287 charging each defendant with one count of conspiracy to distribute heroin, fentanyl, methamphetamine, and cocaine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(b)(1)(A) and 846. Each of the defendants has been arraigned in the Magistrate Court.

The bulk of the discovery in this matter has been produced. The Government expects to make one supplemental production this week. Furthermore, the Government obtained a warrant to seize and search various cellphones recovered during the charged transactions, and will produce discovery related to the cellphone extractions as they become available.

The Government seeks a 45-day adjournment of the pretrial conference in this matter. An adjournment will allow the defendants and their counsel additional time to review discovery under challenging circumstances, including the fact that three of the defendants are in custody, and permit the parties additional time to discuss resolutions to this matter. Counsel for each of the defendants has consented to this request.

The Government further requests an order excluding time under the Speedy Trial Act from August 13, 2020, until the new date for the pretrial conference. The ends of justice served by

holding the conference at a future date outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial because it will permit the defendants additional time to review discovery under challenging circumstances and afford the parties additional time to discuss a resolution to this matter. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

Respectfully submitted,

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Granted.

The pretrial conference is adjourned to October 6, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. Time is excluded through October 6, 2020, under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 USC 3161(h)(7)(A), the Court finding that the ends of justice outweigh the interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial.

So ordered.

Dated August 13, 2020



J. PAUL OETKEN
United States District Judge